



Problem-Solving Courts Committee
Education Subcommittee Meeting

August 14, 2008
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Minutes

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. Members participating included Don Travis, Paul Southwick and Judge Natalie Conn. Others present included IJC staff members Mary Kay Hudson, Diane Mains and Jamie Bergacs.

II. Review of minutes from last meeting-June 13, 2008

Members reviewed and approved the minutes from the meeting held on June 13, 2008.

III. Workshop updates

Mary Kay Hudson advised members that on-line registration is now available and groups have begun registering. She advised the committee on groups currently registered who have not attended the workshop in previous years.

Members were also advised by Ms. Hudson that Justice Sullivan has been invited to provide opening remarks and update problem-solving teams on the new JTAC case management system as it relates to the supervision module.

IV. Review workshop agenda

Mary Kay Hudson viewed the most recent draft agenda. Members were advised that “NDCI TA request pending” notations on the agenda indicate that the request for faculty has been made to NDCI and we are awaiting notification.

- Participant / Graduate Panel

Committee members were asked to contact participants from their jurisdiction to determine if the participant is interested in participating on the panel. Committee members to provide interested participant’s contact information to Mary Kay Hudson or Jamie Bergacs.

- Ethical Considerations in Problem-Solving Court

Committee members were advised IJC staff is experiencing difficulties in locating faculty for this session.

- Mental Illness and Problem Solving Courts

Due to difficulty with faculty, this session may focus on the mental health court model. Mary Kay Hudson to contact Dr. George Parker of FSSA to serve as faculty. Paul Southwick also recommended Dr. Randy Stevens as possible faculty for this session.

- **Court Improvement Program**

It was reported that the Court Improvement Program position with IJC has not yet been filled. However, Loretta Oleksy, Family Court Project Manager, Division of State Court Administration is confirmed to present, “The Family Court Project.” If the IJC staff position for the Court Improvement Program has been filled, that individual may present on the CIP as well.

- **Pharm Parties**

Committee members were advised that faculty for the pharm party session stated he does not have enough material for a 75 minute breakout on pharm parties alone. As a result, this session will be entitled: Prescription Diversion: From Forgery to Pharm Parties.

V. Reentry Court Rules Update

Jamie Bergacs reported that the Reentry Court Rules Workgroup is in the process of reviewing the 6th draft of the reentry court rules. The current version, which still needs approval from the PSCC and the Board of Directors, requires training sessions for reentry court teams in the planning stages and requires an orientation program for reentry court staff members performing intake and referral or risk assessment.

If the rules are adopted as currently written, these educational items will be coming before the subcommittee.

VI. Schedule next meeting date

The next education subcommittee meeting has not been scheduled. Committee members will be contacted via e-mail with any concerns regarding the workshop.

VII. Other Business

IJC staff to suggest and send potential dates for the 2009 Skill Building Training to committee members, via e-mail. Committee members previously determined that the 2009 Skills Building Training topic will be Motivational Interviewing with Stephanie Troyer and Nicki Venable serving as faculty.

VIII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:35 a.m.